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To: Microsoft ATR
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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear DoJ,

This is regarding the Microsoft antitrust settlement. I think it is a great thing that you are willing to hear from the public, and it shows that you are very open minded about the whole thing.

I personally feel that Microsoft has no other instinct than to grow and assimilate any kind of technology it can legally or not, get it's hands on. They mess with it and try to sell an inferior version of it to the public. People buy it because they have an instinct to try to conform to a standard. A standard that I might add was created only because they manipulated the market to conform to their needs. If you recall the book "1984", you will see how similar Microsoft is to "Big Brother". They tell you what you need, what you can use, and say to hell with privacy rights in the case of their new operating system "Windows XP", because of the fact that they have access to your computer at any time, and that is just wrong.

I feel the only solution to this personal threight is to finally shut them down and pass a new "Big Brother" amendment that says no company can grow to such an extent as to have more control over the public than the national government.

I urge and plead that you take the nessary steps to make sure this monopoly is shut down and not allowed to happen again in another form.

Sincerely,
Anthony Wiedower